Public Sector Banks:

Year	Dwelling Units	Amount (Rs. in crores)
1998-1999	39,739	1090.36
1999-2000	91,460	2055.75
2000-2001	1,62.240	4284.36
2001-2002	1,95,624	5449.23
2002-2003	3,77,319	11715.50
TOTAL	8,66,382	24595.20

* N.H.B does not have the State-wise details of urban housing disbursemets.

National Slum Policy

2142. SHRI R.S. GAVAI:
SHRI B.J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formulated the National Slum Policy;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the draft policy has been sent to the State Governments for their comments;

(d) if so, their views thereon; and

(e) by when the policy would be finalised and implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) to (e)The National slum Policy is under consideration.

Death of employees of water-treatment plant in Delhi

†2143. SHRI KRIPAL PARMAR: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that inwater treatment plant of the Jal Vidyut Board, maintained by the Dagremond Company an officer and three employees lost their lives due to suffocation;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) if so, the action taken against the culprits;

(c) if not, whether Government would conduct investigation in this matter; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to prevent recurrence of such incidents in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) to (c)Yes, Sir. The Delhi Jal Board (DJB) has reported that one Engineer and four employees of M/s Dagremont India Ltd. lost their lives in an accident which occurred on 15.6.2003 at the Sewage Treatment Plant of DJB at Rithala that was maintained by the said firm under a contract with DJB. While Delhi Police is investigating into the matter. M/s Dagremont has already paid compensation to the legal heirs of the deceased employees as per the provision of Indian Workmen compensation Act. The National Human Rights Commission has also taken cognizance of the matter.

(d)The Delhi Jal Board has laid down comprehensive guidelines on safety norms, procedures and measures and has been updating the same by holding workshops on the said norms and procedures. The Delhi Jal Board has also been organizing safety training programmes conducted by Delhi Productivity Council at Sewage Treatment Plant, Rithala for training of workers of Delhi Jal Board where the Engineers, technical staff including staff of M/s Dagremont and workers participated. With a view to update the safety manual incorporating the various safety provisions in existence as well as to suggest new measures, an expert Committee consisting of representatives of DJB, Chief Inspector of Factories, Chief Fire Officer and the Adviser, Central Public Health & Environmental Engineering Organisation (CPHEEO) has been set up.

Poverty Alleviation Programmes in Rajasthan

2144. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Centrally-Sponsored Schemes and Programmes on Poverty alleviation formulated and implemented in Rajasthan during the last three years;